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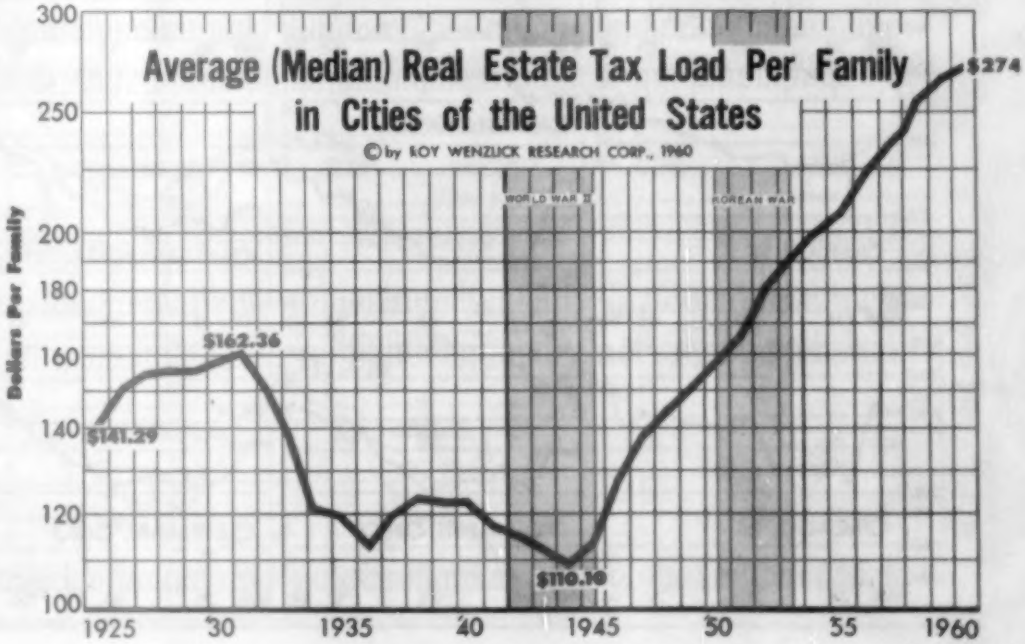
THE SAME OLD STORY

THE median tax load per family in cities of the United States continued the climb in 1960 that it began in 1945. At that time the median tax load per family was only $110.10. It is now $274.85. That is an increase of 150 percent in 15 years.

The charts on the following pages show the average tax load per family for each of 94 cities charted from 1928 to the present. On the last page of the report the cities are ranked on the basis of the final tax data for 1959. Only 91 of the 94 cities have been ranked, since adequate information has not been received from Chattanooga, Oakland, and Tulsa.

Before you pull up stakes and move to Grand Rapids or Birmingham, take into consideration not only the level of taxes, but the direction of change. The cities showing decreases in the tax load this year were the following: Boston, Wichita, San Francisco, Providence, Erie, Scranton, and Tacoma.



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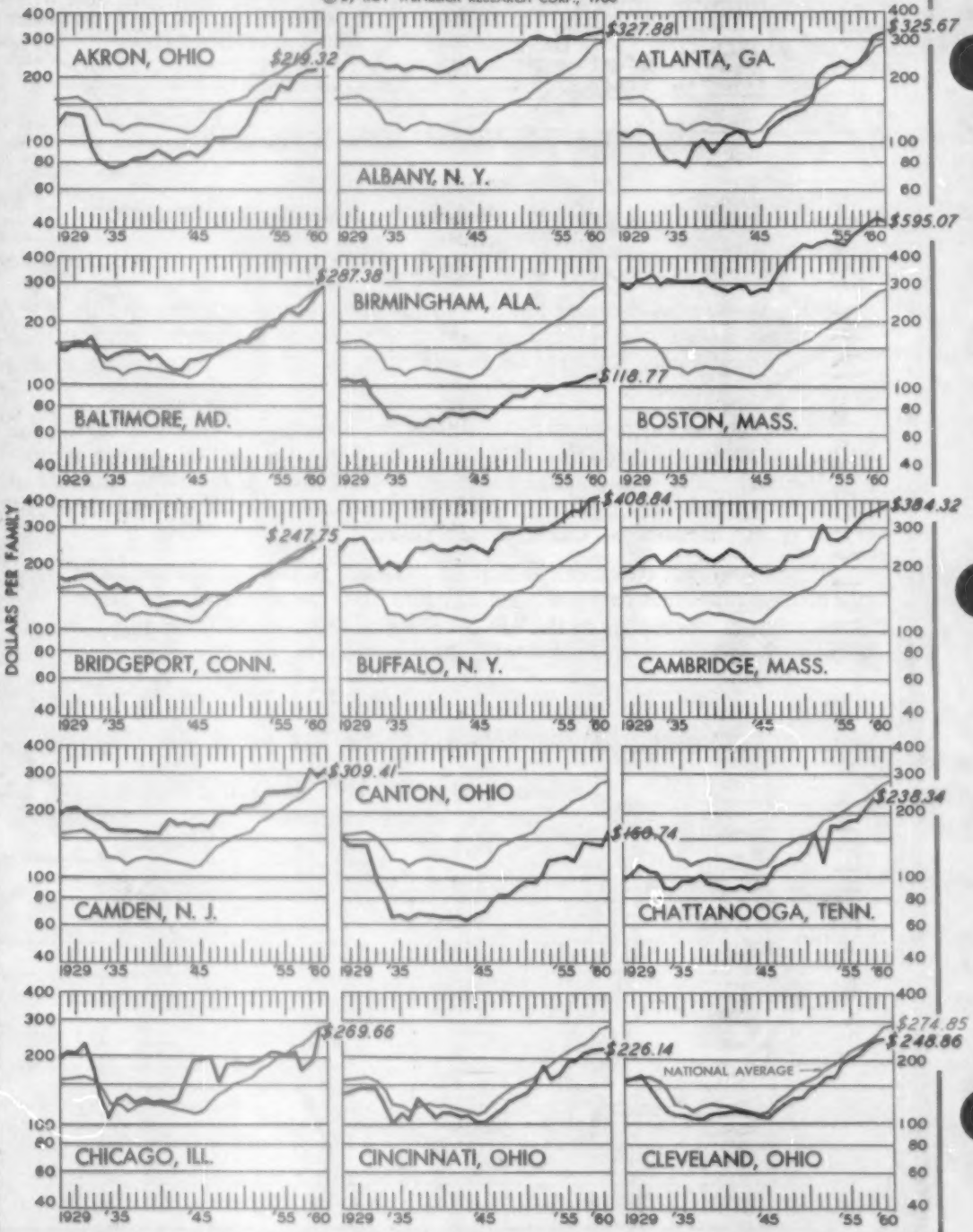

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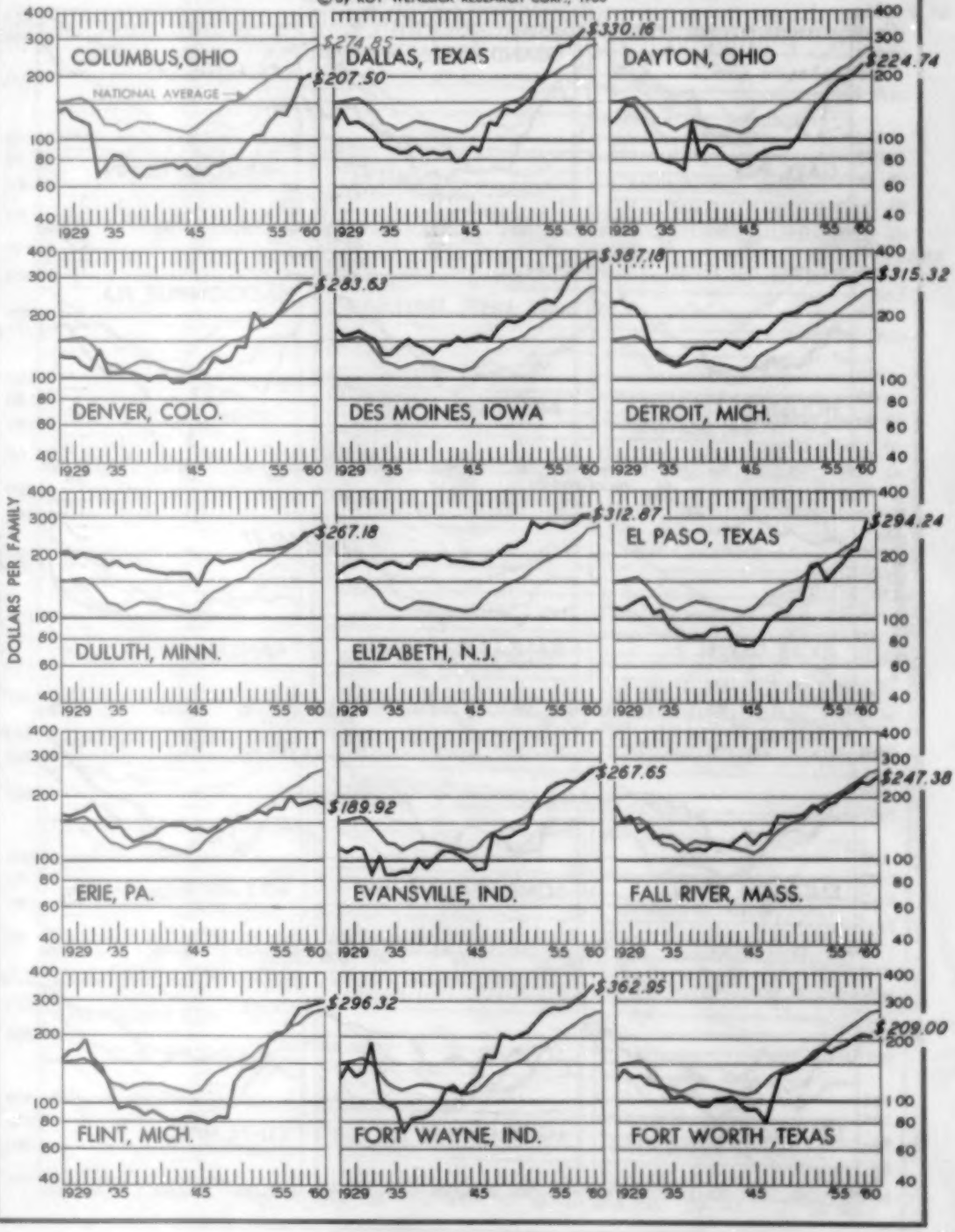

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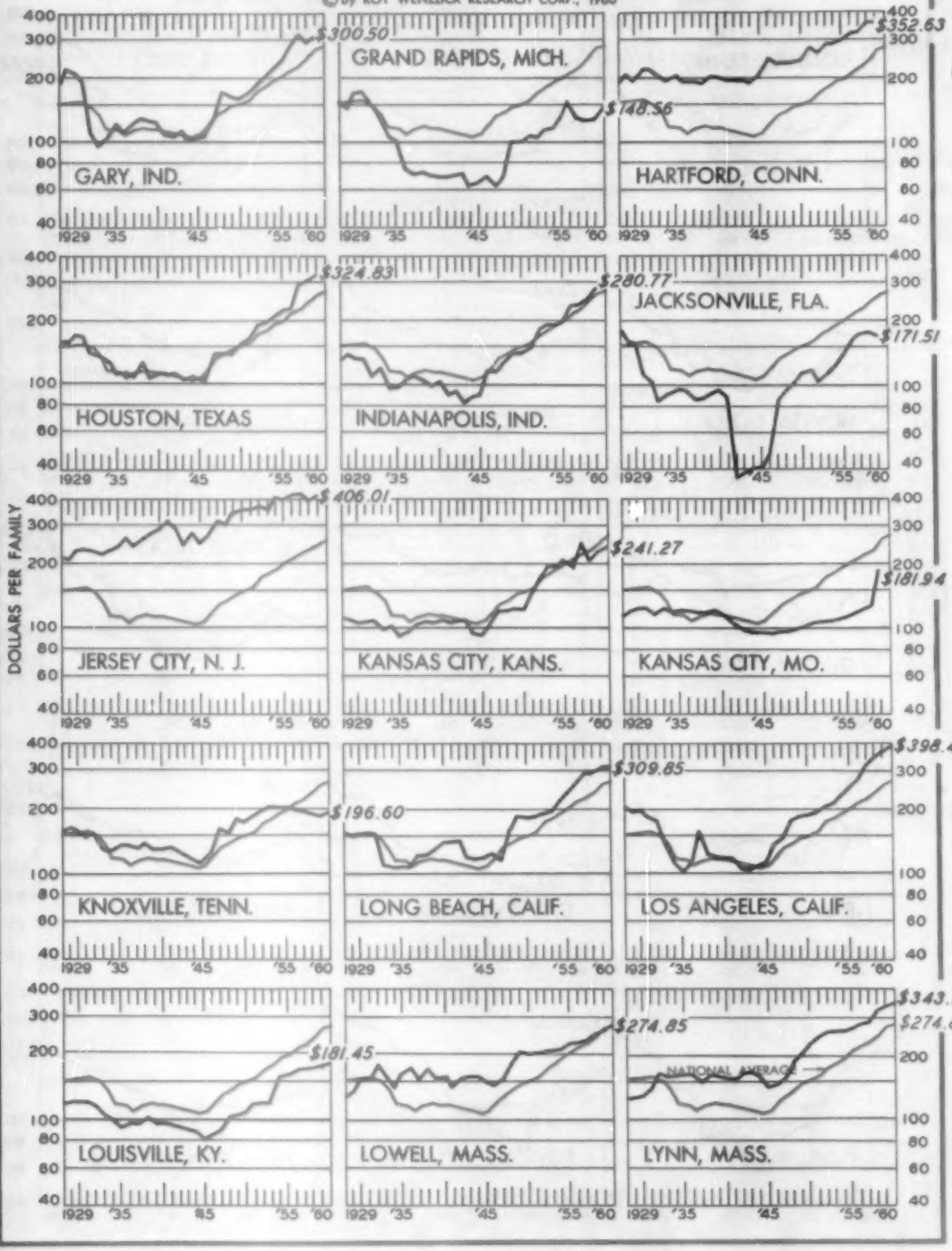

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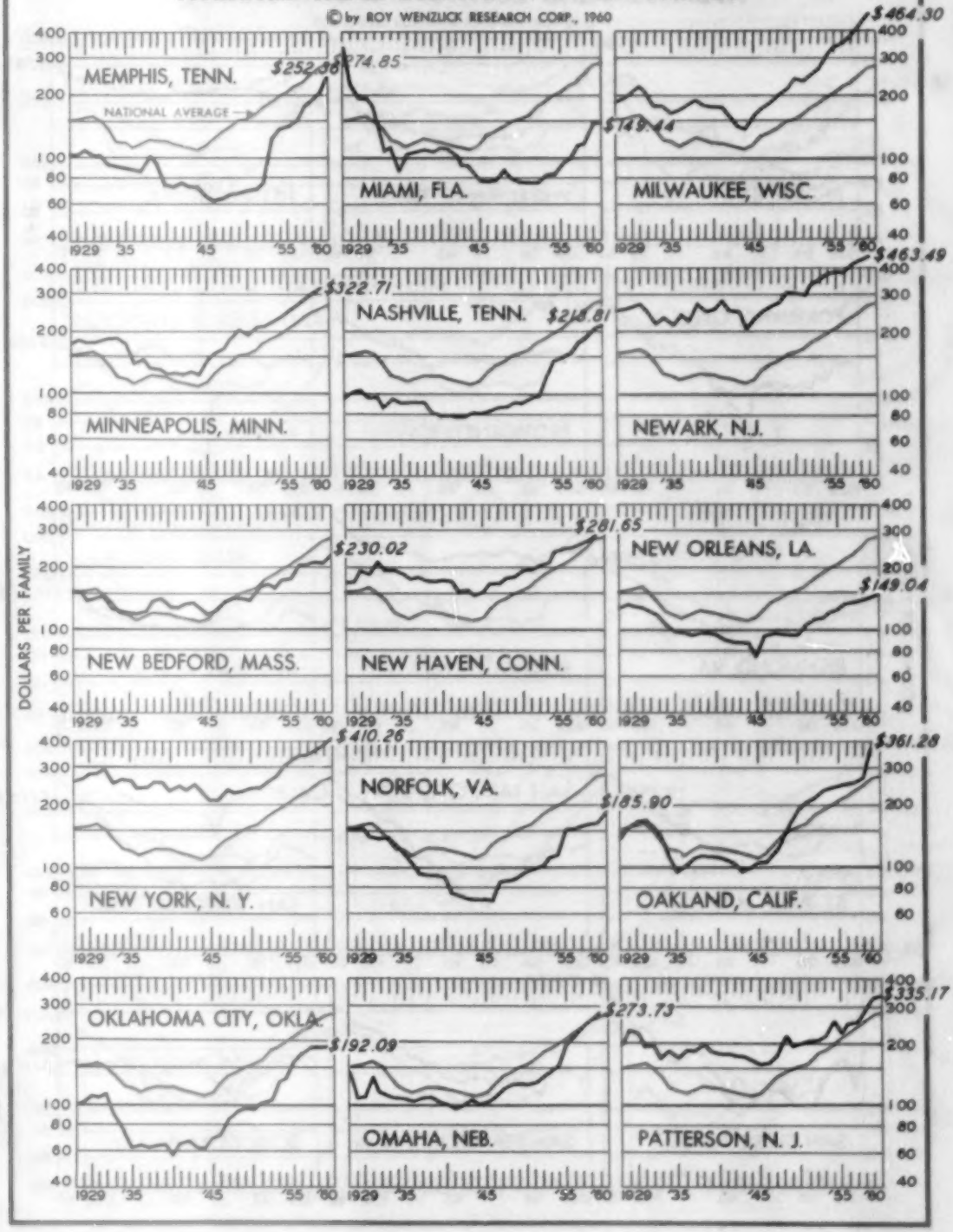

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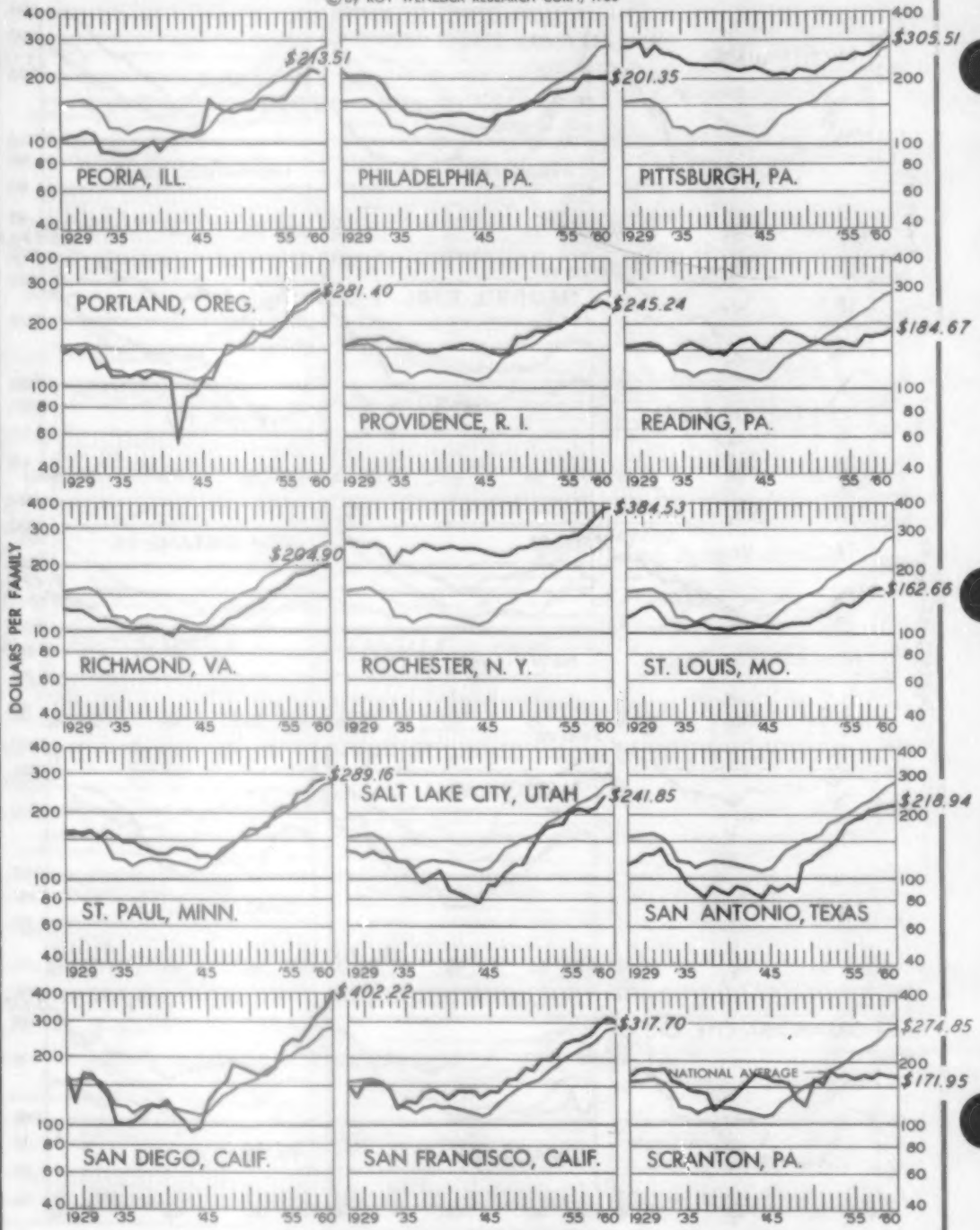

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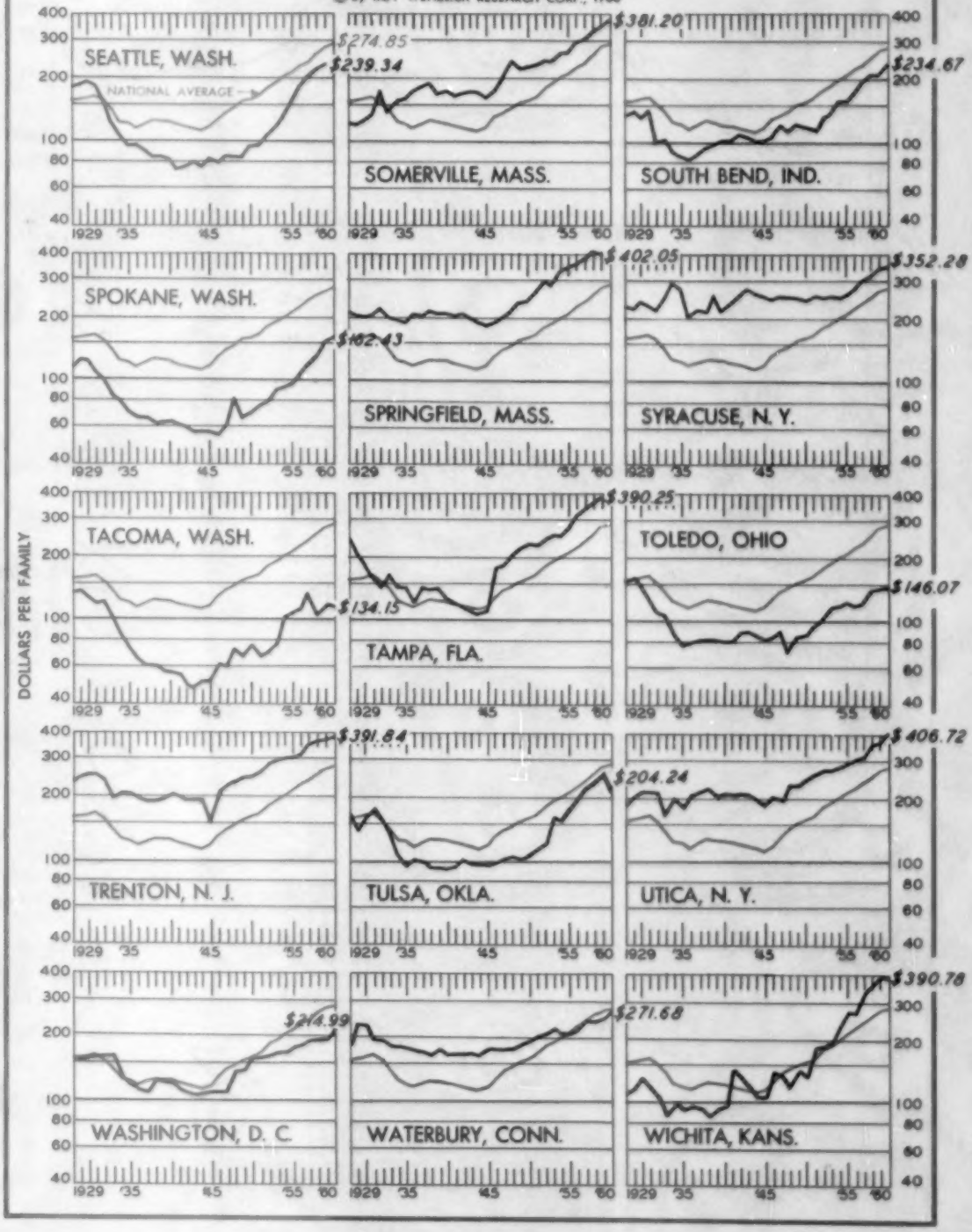

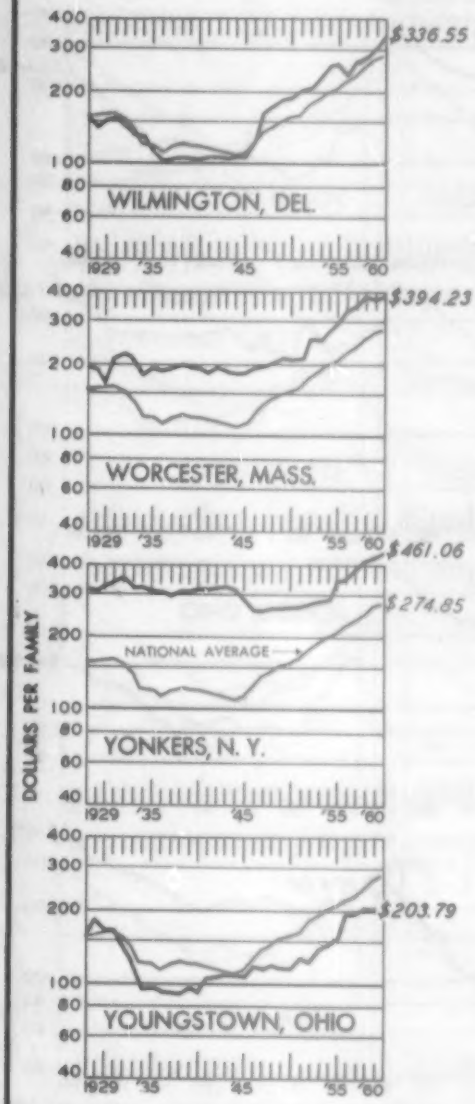

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Rank 1960	City	Tax Load 1960	Tax Load 1960
1	Boston, Mass.	$602.90	$595.07
2	Milwaukee, Wis.	464.20	-
3	Newark, N. J.	463.49	-
4	Yonkers, N. Y.	439.90	461.06
5	Buffalo, N. Y.	408.84	-
6	Jersey City, N. J.	406.01	-
7	Springfield, Mass.	402.06	-
8	New York, N. Y.	392.63	410.26
9	Wichita, Kans.	391.70	390.73
10	Tampa, Fla.	390.25	-
11	Worcester, Mass.	382.61	394.23
12	Rochester, N. Y.	371.71	394.53
13	Los Angeles, Calif.	371.36	398.44
14	Trenton, N. J.	369.49	391.84
15	Cambridge, Mass.	366.24	384.32
16	Des Moines, Iowa	365.65	378.16
17	Utica, N. Y.	364.97	406.72
18	Fort Wayne, Ind.	362.96	-
19	Hartford, Conn.	353.63	-
20	Somerville, Mass.	349.94	381.30
21	Syracuse, N. Y.	346.01	352.28
22	San Diego, Calif.	347.90	402.22
23	Lynn, Mass.	339.52	343.10
24	Paterson, N. J.	333.65	336.17
25	Dallas, Tex.	330.16	-
26	Houston, Tex.	324.53	-
27	Minneapolis, Minn.	322.71	-
28	San Francisco, Calif.	319.34	317.70
29	Albany, N. Y.	316.91	327.68
30	Atlanta, Ga.	316.61	328.67
31	Detroit, Mich.	315.10	316.22
32	Elizabeth, N. J.	312.87	-
33	Long Beach, Calif.	306.78	309.85
34	Wilmington, Del.	302.25	336.55
35	Gary, Ind.	300.50	-
36	Flint, Mich.	294.63	296.33
37	El Paso, Tex.	294.24	-
38	Camden, N. J.	292.98	300.41
39	St. Paul, Minn.	289.16	-
40	Denver, Colo.	283.63	-
41	New Haven, Conn.	281.65	-
42	Pittsburgh, Pa.	281.63	305.51
43	Portland, Oreg.	281.40	-
44	Indianapolis, Ind.	280.77	-
45	Omaha, Nebr.	273.73	-
	MEDIAN	269.66	274.85
46	Chicago, Ill.	269.66	-
47	Evansville, Ind.	267.65	-
48	Duluth, Minn.	267.16	-
49	Baltimore, Md.	262.90	287.38
50	Lowell, Mass.	256.37	274.85
51	Providence, R. I.	249.53	245.24
52	Waterbury, Conn.	240.20	271.68
53	Cleveland, Ohio	240.86	-
54	Bridgeport, Conn.	247.75	-
55	Salt Lake City, Utah	241.85	-
56	Seattle, Wash.	239.34	-
57	Fall River, Mass.	235.90	247.38
58	Cincinnati, Ohio	236.14	-
59	Dayton, Ohio	234.74	-
60	Kansas City, Kans.	234.66	241.27
61	Akron, Ohio	219.32	-
62	Peoria, Ill.	213.51	-
63	San Antonio, Tex.	212.54	218.94
64	New Bedford, Mass.	211.79	230.02
65	Fort Worth, Tex.	209.09	-
66	Columbus, Ohio	207.50	-
67	Nashville, Tenn.	206.21	213.81
68	Youngstown, Ohio	202.79	-
69	South Bend, Ind.	202.38	234.07
70	Philadelphia, Pa.	201.00	201.38
71	Richmond, Va.	200.27	204.98
72	Memphis, Tenn.	200.23	252.95
73	Erie, Pa.	194.30	186.92
74	Washington, D. C.	192.89	214.90
75	Oklahoma City, Okla.	192.09	-
76	Knoxville, Tenn.	188.23	196.60
77	Kansas City, Mo.	181.94	-
78	Reading, Pa.	180.25	184.07
79	Louisville, Ky.	178.30	181.65
80	Scranton, Pa.	172.71	171.86
81	Jacksonville, Fla.	171.51	-
82	Norfolk, Va.	163.89	188.90
83	St. Louis, Mo.	163.66	-
84	Spokane, Wash.	153.61	163.48
85	Miami, Fla.	149.11	149.44
86	Canton, Ohio	144.46	160.74
87	New Orleans, La.	143.26	149.04
88	Toledo, Ohio	143.06	148.07
89	Tacoma, Wash.	136.32	134.15
90	Grand Rapids, Mich.	131.47	148.96
91	Birmingham, Ala.	116.77	